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TO ATTEND INAUGURATION

It has been definitely settled that the First Regiment, N. G. D., will attend the inauguration of President McKinley, March 4. About 800 members will turn out. Senator Kenney has secured quarters for the regiment, which is to leave Wilmington on Saturday, March 2, at 8.15 P. M., and return on the following Monday evening.

The following order relative to the trip has been issued to company commanders: For the purpose of taking part in the inaugural parade at Washington, D. C., on Monday, March 4, 1901, company commanders of the First Infantry, N. G. D., will hold their commands in readiness to leave their armories on Saturday afternoon, March 2, 1901.

Company commanders should make requisition for all ordnance or quartermaster's stores needed to fully equip their commands at once.

As Delaware will be assigned the right of the line of parade, it is especially to be desired that the marching of this regiment shall maintain its former high standard, and for this purpose company commanders will see that special attention is given to alignments, cadence of step, etc.

Further instructions will be given in general orders.

THIRD TOWNSHIP, Colonel 1st Inf. N. G. D.

ASSEMBLY WILL BE BUSY

The two houses of the General Assembly began all day and night sessions on Monday to catch up with the 300 bills not yet acted upon. It is likely, also, that they will hold Saturday sessions, since eleven members of the House have begun a vigorous fight against "lying down" on the important measures of state, which have been neglected considerably because of the senatorial confusion. The representatives are very anxious that no bills shall be crowded out by the haste of the close of the session.

Both houses have been fortunate in securing for this session a remarkably efficient corps of clerks. Speaker McCormack of the House is, himself, an expert accountant, and the speaker's journal is a model of neatness and completeness. Clerk W. B. Deighton of the House is a remarkable penman, and his House journal, which has been kept up from day to day, looks like a printed form, so pretty are the writings. Former Secretary of State James H. Hughes, one of the attorneys for the House, has been retained particularly for the purpose of detecting all snake legislation or "riders" that may work through the House toward the close of the sessions. He caught several of these last term while secretary to the Governor.

BODY UNKNOWN FOUND

The body of an unknown man was found in the woods near Edge Moor Monday afternoon. The station agent at Edge Moor notified Chief of Police Messersmith and he called Detective Witsell and Captain Black to make an investigation. The officers found the man lying on his face and he had evidently been dead for several days. Near him was an empty bottle labeled carbolic acid. There was also evidence of a struggle and the supposition is that the man after swallowing the poison crawled around on the ground in his agony.

Coroner Frick was also notified and had the remains removed to the morgue. A receipt was found in one of the dead man's pockets for \$1.50. The word Philadelphia was on the receipt and it was made out to F. Richardson and signed M. S. Bird. A pawn ticket for an overcoat on E. E. Levy, of Wilmington, was found in his pocket.

Since the above was put in type the body has been identified as that of Frank Richardson, of Boston. He was a book agent and left his boarding house in Wilmington Friday last week, on which day it is supposed he took his life.

TRAVELS OF A NEEDLE POINT

The point of a broken needle which entered below the knee of the 3-year-old child of Mr. Samuel J. Conley, at Chestertown, Md., has shown itself under the right arm. While playing at sewing the little one broke off about one-half inch of the needle, a piece of which entered the child's leg below the knee. The local physician failed to find it and as the mother suffered no inconvenience the matter was entirely lost sight of. One night during the past week the child complained of something "biting" her under the arm. An examination by the mother disclosed the long-forgotten piece of needle working its way through the skin under the arm.

Message From The Sea

United States Commissioner S. Rodmond Smith has received an interesting missive from Robert S. Perry, of Little Rock, Ark., general superintendent of the Southern Bauxite Company. While on board the steamship Werra, en route for Marseilles, Mr. Perry, in the latter part of January, dropped the note overboard after first enclosing it in a sealed tin box and that in a large wooden box, south of the Azores, with directions to the finder to mail it. It came with Portuguese stamps attached.

Honors About Even

The Smyrna town election Monday was a quiet affair. The following ticket was elected: Councilmen—First district, T. C. Moore, Republican; Second, Samuel J. Reynolds, Democrat; Third, Harry B. Grieves, Democrat; Fourth, Joseph H. Weyght, Democrat; Fifth, E. M. Fowler, Republican; Sixth, H. S. Anthony, Republican; Seventh, J. C. Robinson, Democrat; Assessor, W. H. Carr, Republican. Treasurer, E. V. Cooper, Democrat.

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PENINSULA NOTES

A new grist mill may be started at Delmar.

Dr. Joseph W. Bastian has been appointed port physician of Wilmington.

I am not much of a mathematician said the cigarette, but I can add to a The letter carriers of Wilmington gave a stag entertainment and supper on Saturday night.

Robert C. Frain, an attorney, is a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace in Wilmington.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, of Wilmington, is considering the erection of a new building.

A membership contest at the Wilmington Young Men's Christian Association added fifty three new members.

The Delaware State Sunday School Association will hold its annual convention in Milford, April 25th and 26th.

Georgetown people are talking of a water supply system, which is needed. Last week the town had a narrow escape from fire.

There are three sorts of people in the world nowadays; those that have the grip, those that have had it, and those that expect to have it.

A girl thinks that something is a terrible secret if not more than eight or ten others know it. Oh, these girls! What funny things they are.

Fred H. Megaw, private secretary of Horace W. Gause, president of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company, Wilmington, has been appointed Notary Public for the company.

man's nervous troubles; I can subtract from his physical energy; multiply his aches and pains; divide his mental powers; take interest from his work and discount his chances of success.

Commander William A. Reilly, of the Grand Army of the Republic, is asking why so few flags were shown on the city and Federal buildings in Wilmington on Washington's Birthday.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Katherine Pie, the youngest daughter of Mrs. Mary Pie, to Dr. Nathan H. Steel, the marriage to take place at Newark next fall.

If a few more flowers were cast in the pathway of people in life and fewer after death many who become discouraged might be raised to a higher plane of living and suicides would be less frequent.

The Rev. L. P. Karholsten, pastor of Kingswood Methodist Episcopal Church, spoke at the men's meeting in the Young Men's Christian Association Building, Wilmington, Sunday afternoon. His subject was "A Fast Young Man."

Numerous petitions are being sent to Congress from Milton, asking that the Broadkill river be improved. It is now so shallow that many large vessels are trading with other points instead of going to that town as formerly.

To heat a room quickly, and save coal, take a firebrick about two inches thick, when the coals are aglow and place it flat on the top of the fire. When it becomes red hot it throws heat out into the room in a way that a fire without this simple device will never do.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Delaware State Sunday School Association will be held at Milford, Thursday and Friday, April 25 and 26. A fine program of particular interest and value to Sunday School workers, will be rendered. Every Sunday School in Delaware is entitled to representation. All schools should prepare to send delegates.

Promoters of "get rich quick" schemes are at work in several counties in Maryland. Recently a man with stock for sale in a "rich gold and silver mine" was on the road, also a "gold brick" agent. Don't invest. If there was a fair profit in the stock there are hundreds of persons at home who would buy it, without the expense and trouble of hiring promoters to go on the road to sell nothing for your cash or note.

Messrs. Jacob Beatrick and James O. Dimmick, representatives of the Bethany Beach Company, were in Georgetown last week trying to organize a company for the purpose of running an electric railway from Seaford to Bethany Beach. Their plan is to run the line by way of Georgetown and strike as many towns on their way as possible. The line would pay well from the start as the amount of freight would be large to say nothing of the passenger traffic.

The Grand Lodge of Delaware, Ancient Order of United Workmen, at its recent session in Smyrna, adopted the classified plan of assessments. It will go into effect for the present members on July 1 and for new members March 1. This plan provides for the following rates per \$1,000: Ages 18 to 24 years, 65 cents; 25 to 29, 72 cents; 30 to 34, 81 cents; 35 to 39, 94 cents; 40 to 44, \$1.13; 45 to 49, \$1.44; 50 and over, \$1.92. These figures include 5 to 14 cents for a guarantee fund.

SAVING MONEY FOR THE TAXPAYER

The prisoners in the county jail at New Castle will be afforded employment and exercise within a few days. A bill presented by the New Castle Water Works Company for \$400 per year to the Levy Court Commissioners has started the latter body of men, who state that the sum is extravagant. The commissioners state that the cells will probably have to be supplied from the splendid well in the prison yard and that at least \$300 per year will be saved to the county in this one expenditure alone. This will give to the lazy prisoners employment, as many gallons of water will be used daily.

Meeting With Success

Howard M. Wilkinson, who eloped from here last summer with Miss Josephine Packard, his wife's sister, and who has since been conducting a drug store in Buffalo, N. Y., wrote a friend here a few days ago that he is now traveling for a manufacturer of soda water fountains and is meeting with much success.

MY MARYLAND

William T. Giles, a leading merchant of Elkton, is seriously ill at his home on North street.

The first herring this year has been caught in Maryland waters by Captain James Coleman.

At a meeting of the citizens of the town of Howard Saturday night it was decided to build a town hall.

A new altar, costing about \$200, has been placed in St. Thomas' Protestant Episcopal Church, at Hancock.

The new Methodist Episcopal Church at Massey's, will be dedicated on Sunday, March 3d, with appropriate services.

Miss Jane Torbert, sister of Major Henry R. Torbert, is dangerously ill at her home, on East Main street, Elkton.

The preliminary survey for the new trolley road from Chestertown to Rock Hall and Tolchester will begin this week.

Mrs. William Foard, living near Massey's who was bitten some time ago by her pet cat, has gone to Baltimore for treatment.

The February meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Worcester county, was held in Pocomoke City Monday.

The public school at Massey's was reopened Monday after being closed for over a week on account of the epidemic of scarlet fever.

The Diamond State Telephone Co., has extended their lines to Chestertown and the first message outside of the town was sent Saturday night.

John C. Smith, of Queen Anne's county, has a milch cow that has adopted two pigs to raise, allowing the shoats to take her milk regularly.

McCaull R. Blackson, formerly of Kent county, has been appointed chief clerk in the office of the Old Bay Line Steamship Co., at Hampton, Va.

A number of the leading ladies of Centreville have organized an improvement association and elected Mrs. James A. Mitchell as president.

Mrs. Hannah Moore, wife of William H. Moore, a prominent citizen of Calverton, died at her home, aged 82 years. Her funeral took place Tuesday.

The Chestertown strawboard mill was compelled to shut down for several days the past week, owing to so many of the employees being sick with the grip.

The fine farm belonging to the Lyle estate, situated at Welsh Point, along the Elk River, has been purchased at private sale by Dr. E. H. Byers, of Philadelphia.

The annual fair under the auspices of the Talbot County Fair Association, will be held this year at Easton on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 24, 25, and 26.

Andrew Toulson has had a peculiar and fatal disease to break out among his hogs on his farm, in Kent county. Up to the present time he has lost over a dozen fine hogs.

The members of the faculty of the Maryland Agricultural College were entertained Saturday night at a stag dinner by Prof. Thomas Humphreys Spence at his home.

The work of filling the ice houses along the Susquehanna river belonging to the American Ice Company is now completed. It is estimated that the company has stored over 50,000 tons of ice.

A timber agent has purchased from Mrs. Rebecca Earhart a walnut tree 150 years old on her farm, near Myerstown, for \$155. The tree is about four feet in diameter at the trunk. The logs will be shipped to Germany.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY doesn't particularly favor the idea of having Congress lay down conditions for the acceptance of the Constitutional Convention of Cuba, in advance of the action of that convention, which is now considering a supplementary declaration, setting forth the relations that shall exist between Cuba and the U. S., although he is not opposing the attempt that is now being made in that direction with the hope of escaping an extra session of Congress. The President's present plan is to take no action on the Cuban Constitution, which General Wood has been instructed not to officially forward to Washington, until the Convention has acted upon the supplementary declaration it is now considering. As soon as that shall have been made, it and the Constitution will be forwarded to Washington and President McKinley will issue a call for an extra session of Congress to consider them, provided, of course, that the action of this Congress has not made one unnecessary. The House has everything in good shape for the last week of the session, but only legislative experts can untangle the mixture in the Senate. Fortunately, many of the Senators are legislative experts, and when they say that all of the appropriation bills, with the possible exception of the River and Harbor bill, will get through, the layman must perforce take their word for it and watch and see.

In the Senate, the House bill, appropriating \$5,000,000 for the St. Louis exposition, before being passed was amended to provide for closing the exposition on Sunday, and to appropriate \$250,000 for a government exhibit at the Charleston, S. C., exposition.

Senator Morgan stirred up some bad blood in his efforts to get the Nicaragua Canal bill before the Senate, by charging the Republicans with trucking to Great Britain, because they had decided that it would not be courteous to act upon the bill while the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was being acted upon by Great Britain. Senator Spooner reminded him that it was the Senate that made the delay by amending the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and that the Senate could not pass the Canal bill while its own amendments were being considered by Great Britain, without a breach of international courtesy and decency.

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The Revenue Reduction bill will not fail. After stubbornly standing for their respective bills long enough to frighten those who did not wish to see the bill fail, the conferees began to talk compromise, and it is now said by them that a compromise bill will be the result. Just what portions of the bill will be most affected by the compromise cannot be stated with any certainty, now, as none of the agreements reached are binding unless agreement is reached on all sections of the bill, but the probabilities favor a heavy cut in the reductions in the beer and tobacco taxes made by the Senate, and that the total reductions will be some millions below the Senate bill.

Now that an extra session is practically assured the Democrats who have been re-elected to the House, are indulging in a cat and dog fight among themselves over the Democratic leadership. Representative Richardson, of Tennessee, the present leader, wishes to continue, but De Armond, of Missouri, Bankhead, of Ala., and several others are in the field against him. Republicans are amused at the fight over this very empty honor. Speaker Henderson will be re-elected, by acclamation, as soon as the next House meets.

The House, after reducing the amount from \$100 to \$50 a month, passed the Senate bill granting a pension to the widow of the late Gen. Henry W. Lawton.

CRUSHED TO DEATH

Henry T. Simpers, aged 60 years, of No. 1123 Chestnut street, Wilmington, died in the Phoenix Ambulance about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon while on his way to the hospital, from injuries received at the works of the Betts Machine Company at Maryland and Beech street, that city a few minutes before.

Simpers was a carpenter by trade but had been working this winter as a helper at the Machine shops. Early Monday afternoon, with a number of other men he was engaged in raising a heavy casting while the casting was in the air the chain on the lifting apparatus slipped and caused the casting to tilt over. Simpers in attempting to get out of the way tripped and fell over a box. The casting fell on him crushing him in a horrible manner. The body was taken to his late home.

FIRE IN SEAFORD

Early Friday morning the large oyster packinghouse of Gen. William H. Stevens at Seaford, was discovered to be on fire. Citizens were aroused, but were unable to check the flames before they had consumed the packinghouse of William D. Stevens. By heroic work on part of the bucket brigade the oysterhouse of W. Donohoe & Co. and Greenbaum Brothers' cannery were saved. Several vessels were moored at the wharves at one time it looked as though they and all of the western part of the town and much railroad property would be destroyed.

The loss is estimated at \$10,000, part insured.

SMALL POX IN WILMINGTON

The dreaded disease smallpox has again broken out in Wilmington. Two new cases Leander and Martha Swiggett, both colored, of No. 405 Scott street were reported to Secretary Cahill, of the Board of Health, Monday morning. The house No. 504 Scott street is about three squares from the one in which Sarah Williams, who is now at Fairhurst suffering from smallpox resided. While the cause for the outbreak in that section of the city is not positively known, colored people living in the vicinity claim that it was brought there by a negro from Virginia. The name or the whereabouts of the negro however could not be learned.

Philadelphia Dead in Delaware

The death of Edward Sandy, aged 67 years, occurred Monday night at the home of the deceased at Ninth and Delaware streets, New Castle, where he had resided for a short time with relatives. The funeral services were held at his late home on Thursday morning and the body was taken to West Laurel Hill Cemetery, West Philadelphia, for interment.

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Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:
North Bound—3.50, 7.50, 9.20 and 10.30 a. m.
4.15 and 5.00 p. m.
South Bound—12.50, 3.11 and 11.50 a. m.; 3.54
5.18 and 7.41 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows:
Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.05 a. m., 3.55 and
5.40 p. m.
Going South—8.50 a. m., 5.10 p. m.
For Ocean—9.10 a. m., 11.40 a. m., 5.30 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Eastville and Seaside
from 9.15 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MARCH 24, 1901.

Local News.

Highest price paid for eggs and poultry.
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sister towns for THE TRANSCRIPT.

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office Southeast corner of Main and Scott
streets.

J. Frank Brinkerhoff specialist in lenses
for the eye will again be at Mrs.
Massey's jewelry store in Middletown
on Tuesday March 26th. No charge to
examine your eyes.

FOR RENT—The dwelling on Lake
street, now occupied by William Dixon.
Apply to E. S. JONES.

Advance Steam Laundry, office opposite
W. S. Letherbury's. Work guaranteed.
Goods delivered.

C. R. CLAYTON.

Farmer's should read what J. F. McWhorter & Son have to say in this issue
about their wire fence. See their card on
this page.

Arbuckle coffee, 2 lbs. for 25c.

MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.

On after March 4th Miss Eliza R. Horn
will have her dress making room in the
second story of the Transcendental building
South Broad street where she will be
to see her old customers.

FOR RENT—The dwelling on East
Main street, now occupied by George S.
Richards. Also the large stable near
the National Hotel, now in the tenure of
Middletown Creamery. Possession given
on 25th March 1901. G. E. HUKILL.

A large stock on hand of both "AMERICAN"
FIELD FENCE, and "ELLWOOD"
FIELD, HOG and POULTRY FENCE, and will
be sold as low as the lowest. Learn our
prices before buying elsewhere as we will
not be undersold.

MIDDLETOWN HARDWARE HOUSE.

The Young Peoples Society of Christ
Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian
Church, meets to-morrow evening at
6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is ex-
tended to everybody. The topic for to-
morrow evening is "Religious Barren-
ness." Luke 13:6-9.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in
the lecture room of the M. E. Church to-
morrow evening at 6.45 o'clock. Every-
body is invited to attend. The topic for
to-morrow evening is "Religious Barren-
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A. G. Cox.

Undeclared Letters.—The following list
of letters remain undeclared in the post
office in the week ending March 23.
Miss Molly Eaton, Mrs. Lou Green, Miss
Estella Hall, Mrs. Anna M. Sharp, Mrs.
Frank Johnson, Mary Emma Washington,
Gentlemen—Richard Anderson, John
Bayard, Howard Clinton, Henry C. Green,
Alford Jefferson.

Rev. M. L. Toft, D. D., for many years a
missionary in Northern China and
sometime professor in Peking University
will be in Odessa M. E. Church next
Sunday March 31, both morning and
evening. The Sunday School will hold
its anniversary at night. Dr. Toft is an
able speaker and has a very interesting
theme. These who hear him will not be
disappointed.

Ringold, the young son of Mr. and
Mrs. George S. Richards met with quite
a painful accident Saturday afternoon
last. While playing marbles with some
companions, one of the larger boys fell
upon him fracturing his right leg. Dr.
G. B. Pearson was called in and set the
limb, and the little fellow is doing as
well as can be expected. The lad met
with a similar accident about three years
ago, when he had his left leg broken by a
fall.

Best grade of smoked meats, best hams
12c a pound.

MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.

At the annual meeting of Bethesda
Methodist Episcopal Sunday School
Thursday evening the following officers
were elected for the ensuing year: Al-
fred G. Cox, Superintendent; Jos. C.
Parker, Assistant Superintendent; J. H.
Emerson; Treasurer; Charles E. Foulk,
Secretary; Albert L. Massey, Assistant
Secretary; Harry C. Jones, Librarian; F.
P. Bradley, Assistant Librarian. Mrs. H.
M. Price, Chorister, Miss Katherine Van-
Sant, Pianist. In the primary depart-
ment Miss Anna M. Freeman was elected
Superintendent and Miss Helen Smith
organist.

The Morning News, of Monday stated
that the Middletown shirt factory would
close next week owing to the scarcity of
operators. This was a mistake as the
factory has sufficient operators, and is
receiving large orders daily. The follow-
ing order arrived received by the Com-
pany speaks in a most pleasing manner
of the establishment.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 22, 1901.
THE MIDDLETOWN MFG. CO.
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

DEAR SIR:—
We enclose you herewith invoice
for five cases of percale shipped you ten
days ago. The samples arrived this
morning, and are all right. We are more
than pleased with them, and are work-
ing on our future business for you.
Very Resp. Yours,
A. LEWIS & CO.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be administered in the Forest Pres-
byterian Church, on Sunday morning,
March 10th. Special services were held
on Wednesday evening, February 27th.
The Pastor conducted special services
this week; and during next week begin-
ning Monday, March 4th, the following
clergyman are expected to preach: Mon-
day evening, Rev. Joseph B. Turner, of
Dover; Tuesday evening, Rev. H. O. Gil-
bert, D. D., of Philadelphia; Wednesday
evening, Rev. W. C. Rommel, of Phila-
delphia; Thursday evening, Rev. Francis
A. Horton, D. D., of Philadelphia; Fri-
day evening, Rev. F. Cornwell Jennings,
of Germantown.

The Preparatory service will be held
on Saturday afternoon, March 9th, at 3
o'clock, and the session will immediately
after this service, and also on Sun-
day morning at 10.15 o'clock, to receive
those desiring to unite with the Church.

Coal oil 11c gallon.

MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.
300,000 Early Cabbage Plants for sale.
E. J. STEIN, Florist, Middletown, Del.

Don't forget the town election, Mon-
day March 4th, Polls open from 1 to 4
P. M.

TO FARMERS.—Cash paid for eggs at
Armstrong's. We want all the eggs we
can get.

Mr. Isaac M. Davis on Friday removed
his family from the Beaman property on
South Broad street to a farm near Smy-
rna. Mr. Davis has many friends in this
section who regret his departure.

The best grade of coffee can be had at
MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.

LIME! LIME! LIME!
For best Wrightsville Land Lime get
prices from John W. Jolls before purchas-
ing.

If you are looking for good cheap
groceries go to the cut grocery store.
The best of everything in my line at very
low prices. Also a full line of Millinery.
Miss E. F. INGRAM.

The program for the meeting of the
New Century Club on next Tuesday after-
noon is: "Will Great Concentration of
Capital Benefit the Masses?" Mrs. Fan-
nie Lockwood; "Will a Colonia Policy
Benefit Ourselves or the World?" Mrs.
Chas. Derriekson.

The Mercy and Help Department of
Bethesda Epworth League will give a
"Socks Social and Colonial Tea," at the
home of Mrs. Annie C. Taylor, on North
Broad street, next Tuesday evening,
March 26th. An interesting program is
being arranged for the occasion. At an
early date an envelop containing sock, and
card explaining its meaning, will be sent
to those interested in the philanthropic
work of the town. If anyone desiring to
attend does not receive a "sock," the
same can be procured at the door. Re-
freshments will be served during the
evening.

The sale of Mrs. Mary C. Reed will be
noted in another column of this issue.
She is disposing of her stock and farming
implements and proposes removing to Wil-
mington, where in the future she will
make her home. She is the widow of
Grandson Reed deceased, who was for
many years a Constable, and well and
favorably known in this community, at
whose death Mrs. Reed purchased the
property belonging to his estate and since
that time has proved her ability as a
manager and successful farmer; for the
past three years successfully conducting
the farm of 327 acres near Middletown,
and it is with regret that we learn of her
intention to remove from the community.
Since her husband's death she has ac-
cumulated a large and valuable stock of
horses and cattle and her sale promises
to be the largest held in this community
the present season.

Fresh beef Friday and Saturday of each
week. Nothing but the best handled.
MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.

MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The active interest of this community
is earnestly hoped for in the very deter-
mined effort of the ladies of Middletown
to open a Public Library in the late
spring. There was an enthusiastic meet-
ing held on Tuesday evening last at the
home of the "New Century Club,"
where a goodly number of books are
already stored as a nucleus of the new
library. The club heartily offers the
use of its room to the citizens of Middle-
town and its vicinity for library pur-
poses, and it is confidently believed that
the effort will be met in so generous a
spirit, that this most laudable object may
soon become an accomplished fact. We
need scarcely allude to the invaluable
benefits which must accrue from the
founding of such a library. The results
are so evident now-a-days, they almost
go without saying. It is proposed to
have the library open one afternoon
and one evening each week, and during
this time members may have opportunity
to consult books of reference, for reading
and exchanging books. The cards of
membership are \$1.00 a year, enabling
the holder to all privileges of the li-
brary. The committee will be glad to
receive subscriptions, suggestions and to
talk with persons interested, in a subject
of so wide benefit and advantage to the
entire community. A town meeting to
further this object will be held in the
room of the Century Club on Tuesday
evening, March 12th at 7.30 o'clock (the
club room is over Mr. Connelley's store)
when it is expected speeches will be
made in furtherance of the library plan.

COMMITTEE.

Mrs. W. B. Biggs, Mrs. L. S. Valandigham,
Mrs. Charles Derriekson, Mrs. J. H.
Martin, Mrs. John P. Cochrane, Jr.,
Mrs. Fanny Lockwood, Mrs. Gaylord
Bragdon, Misses Harrington, Marion
Cochran, Annie Freeman, Ida Howell,
Ada Cochran, Ethel Brady, Lizzie Hall,
Kate VanSant, Daisy Naudain, Miss
Helen Smith, Miss Ellison, and Miss Heaton.

Best creamery butter @ 28c.

MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.

A WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Uncle George Washington's Birthday
was nicely celebrated at the home of
Mrs. Granden Reed near town by a
party given in honor of her daughter,
Miss Elvia.

The evening was spent in playing in-
teresting games such as Pigeon Brother on
Bobby, Clapping in and clapping out
& etc. Instrumental and vocal music
given by the talent of Sandy Branch.

Among those present were: Misses
Bessie Harriott and Alice Clark of
Chesapeake City; the Misses Redgrave
and Buckworth, of Bohemia Manor;
Messrs. Earl and Ossie Goldsboro, Elmer
Stafford and Miss Laura Hutchinson, of
Middle Neck; Miss Cobee and Mr. Scho-
field, of Fredericktown; Mr. Satterfield
and son, of The Forest and Mr. John
Price, of Pinktown.

About 12 o'clock refreshments were
served, consisting of cake, lemonade, ice
cream, foreign and domestic fruits, after
which they took leave of their hostess for
their various homes much pleased with
the social evening spent.

Reduced One Way Second Class Rates to
the West via B. & O. Railroad.

Every Tuesday until April 30th inclu-
sive, the B. & O. Railroad Co. will sell
second class tickets and Colonists tickets
to the West at greatly reduced rates.
Colonists tickets will be sold to Arizona,
California, Mexico, Nevada, New Mexico
and Texas points. Fares to California
points will be \$45.50. For full particu-
lars write or apply to H. A. Miller, P. A.,
Delaware Ave. Station, Wilmington, Del.

PERSONALITIES

Mr. George Kelly, of Newark, spent
Sunday in town.

Mr. E. J. Steele has returned from a
visit to Henderson, Md.

Mrs. William Clark, of Philadelphia,
is visiting relatives here.

Mr. Clarence Richards was a Quaker
City visitor on Monday.

Miss E. May Connor is the guest of
Chesapeake City friends.

Mr. Lawrence Watson, of Dover, was a
Sunday visitor in town.

Mrs. R. E. Smith has returned to her
home at Queen Anne, Md.

Mrs. Rachel Connor was the guest of
Wilmington friends last week.

Master Lloyd Bratton has returned
home from a visit to Reading friends.

Mr. Oscar Lane, of Camden, N. J., is
visiting friends and relatives near town.

Master Clarence Gears, of Smyrna, is
the guest of friends at the Middletown
Hotel.

Mr. Cuthbert Peverley, of St. Luke's
School, Pa., is the guest of his parents
here.

Miss Edna Wilcits, of Magnolia, has
returned home after spending sometime
in town.

Mrs. Harry Ellison, of Wilmington, is
visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Emerson,
this week.

Mrs. J. R. Brown has returned home
after an extended visit to friends in
Reading, Pa.

Mr. Albert E. Ginn, of Denver, Col.,
was in town this week visiting friends
and relatives.

Miss Myrtle Berry, of Wilmington, is
spending a few days with her mother
on Bohemia Manor.

Miss Jennie Tan Eyck, of North Branch,
N. J., is the guest of Mrs. Edward Lewis,
on West Main street.

Miss Sadie Howell has returned to her
home in Baltimore after a pleasant visit
with her aunt, Mr. A. M. McKee.

Miss Clara Wilcits, of Darlington
Street, West Chester, Pa., is the guest of
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Willis.

Mrs. Mary Mann who has been visiting
her aunt, Mrs. B. B. Bates for several
days returned to her home in Frankford,
Pa., Friday.

Mr. A. Staats, of Taylor's Bridge, paid
our office a pleasant call Tuesday. Mr.
Staats is an applicant for tax collector of
Blackbird hundred.

Mr. F. H. Burgess, superintendent of
the Middletown Shirt Co., is on a ten
days business trip. While away Mr.
Burgess will visit Baltimore, Pittsburg,
Chicago, Louisville and Cincinnati.

Best dried beef at
MIDDLETOWN GROCERY.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

Thomas Allison, of near Mt. Pleasant,
was a Middletown visitor on Thursday.

F. L. Cates, of Middletown, was a
Wednesday visitor at "Prospect Farm."

Miss Dorothy Bramble, of near Mid-
dletown, spent Sunday with Mrs. Robert
Bryan.

Edward Behm, of McDonough,
bought a fine colt from Joseph Harman
a few days ago.

E. O. Haas, of Chester, Pa., is spend-
ing a few days with his brother, L. M.
Haas, near Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. William Lucas, of near Mt. Pleas-
ant, can boast of owning the largest
mule in New Castle county.

Mrs. Joseph Irans, of near Mt. Pleas-
ant, is suffering with typhoid pneumonia,
with little hopes of her recovering.

George Jones, of Chester, Pa., spent
several days of the past week with his
brother, John Jones, at Mt. Pleasant.

George Padley and wife, of Cecilton,
were guests of his father, James Padley,
Sr., near McDonough, Saturday last.

Mrs. Thomas Lefevre and son Howard,
of near Kirkwood, spent Sunday with
her parents, Solomon T. Davis and wife
near Mt. Pleasant.

Belve mill has not been running for
the past week, owing to some broken
machinery. Mr. Shallcross will try to
have it in order as soon as possible.

A great many farmers in our vicinity
have lost fine horses during the past
week. Mr. Golt, Mr. Boyd McCoy and
Mr. C. Jamison, of near St. Georges, be-
lieving among the unfortunate ones.

Miss Mattie Davis closed Janison Cor-
ner school for a few days the past week
owing to the illness of her sister, Miss
Allie, who was supposed to have diphtheria.
But later the attending physician pro-
nounced it a very bad case of la grippe.

On Tuesday evening a foreigner got
the train at Mt. Pleasant. He could
neither speak or understand the English
language, neither could he understand
German. Here he was in a strange place
with no home or friends and no one to
make him understand where to go. He
started in the direction of Middletown
where all traces of him were lost.

Poultry always on hand.
MIDDLETOWN GROCERY.

EARLEVILLE NOTES.

Some few from this place attended the
entertainment at Chesapeake City.

We are glad to see our friend Ollie out
again after being in bed for more than a
week.

Miss Effie Haslett spent Saturday and
Sunday of last week with her parents
near here.

Mrs. Mollie Price has returned to her
home after a pleasant visit with Mrs.
Joseph Connors, at Iron Hill.

Mr. John M. Rowan moved his family
one day last week the weather had been
too bad for them to move sooner.

Mrs. James McCoy and Mrs. Harry
Rowan, of Cecilton spent Thursday at
Galena, the guests of Mrs. Theodore
Dempey.

Mr. Thomas C. Roe with his wife and
little son, Price, were the guests of their
daughter, Mrs. John M. Rowan, at Hacks
Point on Tuesday.

All from this place expressed them-
selves as having a very gay time at the Box
Social given by the ladies of St. Paul's
M. E. Church at the parsonage at Cecil-
ton last Thursday evening.

A good 5c soap, 2 cakes for 5c; 10 cakes
for 25c.
MIDDLETOWN GROCERY HOUSE.

OBITUARY

MICHAEL M. GREMMINGER

Michael Gremminger whose death oc-
curred at Odessa on Wednesday night was
one of the best known men in lower New
Castle county. Having come from
Germany in early life he at once became
a naturalized citizen of this country, and
no man born under our flag could have
been a more zealous and patriotic citizen.
He enlisted at the outbreak of the Re-
bellion as a private in Co. D, Eastern
Shore of Md. Volunteers, and served
with noteworthy bravery and fidelity un-
til severely wounded at the battle of
Hallowtown. He was a good soldier dur-
ing the war and a good citizen after the
war.

No man in Delaware has taken a
greater interest in the Grand Army of
the Republic and its place in that organi-
zation will be hard to fill. He was also
an active member of the Appoquinimink
Tribe of Red Men of Odessa and had
been nearly every post of honor in that
organization and was also closely identi-
fied with the Masonic order of Middle-
town. By close attention to business
Mr. Gremminger had accumulated con-
siderable money with which he built for
himself a most attractive home at Odessa.
One of the most novel of his many novel
enterprises was the filling of the marshes
along the Appoquinimink Creek. The banks
of which had been made possible of
agriculture by the fertile deposits from
the creek left by the Government dredg-
ing machines. For more than a mile the
banks are lined with grapes of every va-
riety and other fruits which seemed to
flourish in the fertile deposits. To the
people of the State outside the immediate
community, Mr. Gremminger was know-
ing chiefly as a great hunter. He had
lived for a great part of his life in the
woods and marshes, arranging gunning
and fishing trips for sportsmen from
Philadelphia and Wilmington.

He was a man of splendid physique
and commanding appearance, and never
known a days illness until afflicted with
the stroke of paralysis one year ago, the
second attack of which, on Wednesday
morning resulted in his death.

Mr. Gremminger has left a large family
who will mourn the loss of a devoted hus-
band and father and a circle of friends who
will ever remember him as a man whose
greatest pleasure was in giving pleasure
to others.

JOSEPH GRIFFITH.

It was with much sorrow the many
friends of Mr. Joseph S. Griffith learned
of his untimely death Friday evening
February 23d, at his home near Mt.
Pleasant. He had been sick for several
weeks but the attending physician and
his relatives felt that he had gotten over
the critical period of pneumonia. Mr.
Griffith was one of our best and most
progressive young farmers. Deceased was
38 years old and leaves a devoted young
wife and one son to mourn his death.
The funeral services were held at his late
residence on Monday afternoon last at
2 o'clock, interment being made in Forest
Cemetery. The bearers were six of his
intimate friends, as follows: Ex-Senator
Harry Salmon and Boyd McCoy, of Sum-
mit Bridge; Harry Howard, Frank How-
ard and Ralph Reese, of Chesapeake
City, Md., and James L. Warren, of this
town.

ALFRED STEVENS.

Alfred Stevens, one of the best known
men of St. Georges hundred, died at his
home in Odessa Thursday evening at 10
o'clock after an illness of two months
of bright disease. Deceased was 51
years of age, and had spent all his life in
the town where he died. He was a de-
voted husband and father, and in his
death Odessa loses one of her best and
most upright citizens. Mr. Stevens had
filled the office of assessor for St. Georges
hundred in a way satisfactory to all and
had been closely identified with all the
Democratic organizations of rural New
Castle county for many years. He
leaves a wife and nine children to mourn
his death.

Funeral services will be held Monday
afternoon at one o'clock at his late resi-
dence at Odessa; interment being made
in the M. E. Cemetery at that place.

CECILTON SIFTINGS.

Miss Nellie Lusby spent two days this
week with Mrs. Elma Lusby.

Mrs. Belle Manlove is the guest of her
mother, Mrs. Katharine Mattax.

Preston Shallcross spent several days
of this week with his grandfather.

Miss Mollie Rickards is spending some-
time with Mr. Racine, at Porters.

Miss Emma Lusby has as her guest
Miss Helen Schrack, of Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Robert Shallcross spent Sunday
with his grandfather, Thos. P. Jones, Sr.

Some of the young folks from town
attended the party at Mr. Thomas Bran-
bles, at Locust Grove, Md.

At the shooting match on February 23d
Mr. J. B. Stephens carried off the honors
with Stradley and Jarvis close second.

The Box Social was held at the parson-
age on Thursday night by the ladies of
Cecilton and St. Paul's M. E. Churches.

Mrs. Annie Humphrey has returned to
her home again in Cecilton after spending
several weeks with her uncle near Earle-
ville.

Rev. J. A. Arters and wife with Miss
Lilla McCoy were entertained at tea on
Tuesday of last week by Mr. and Mrs. E.
Short, of town.

Mr. James Lusby sold on Tuesday his
handsome Barron Lynden horse to a
gentleman near Church Hill, Md. We
are sorry that he was taken so far away
as he was one of the finest horses in this
district.

Mrs. Susan Redgister died on Friday
morning at the home of her daughter,
Mrs. Patrick Andrews, and was buried
on Sunday afternoon. Services at the
home, interment in the M. E. Cemetery
at Cecilton.

The funeral services of Joseph Willis,
the aged Gypsy who died on the 22d, of
February, was conducted by Rev. J. A.
Arters on Monday morning. The re-
mains were taken to Wilmington and
placed in a vault for awhile awaiting the
arrival of his children from Springfield,
Ohio. Willard Red, Arters was at the
camp he baptised six of the children.
"Father" Willis with his sons and
daughters has been traveling this penin-
sula over fifty years. He has always had
the reputation of being square and honest
in his dealings wherever he traveled and
has tried to teach his sons the same. He
was taken sick soon after camp in
Hurlock's woods near town and was con-
fined to his tent where he lingered for
several weeks, finally passing away at the
age of 93 years.

WARWICK HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Harry Aiken was the guest of re-
latives in town last Saturday.

Miss Ella M. Staats, of Charleston,
visited her mother last week.

Miss Susie Wilson spent Washington's
Birthday with her parents here.

Mr. R. K. Marsh and sister, Miss Elsie,
visited friends in North East, on Sunday.

Miss Belle Lofland is on an extended
visit to her sister, Mrs. Richard Man-
love.

Mr. Edward Vinsinger, of Elkton,
was the guest of Miss Nora Finley, on
Sunday.

Miss Blanche Wright entertained at
tea on Friday evening, Miss McAleer, of
Brooklyn, Miss Ada Cochran, of Mid-
dletown, Dr. Robert Comegys, of New-
ark, Charles H. Crawford, of Sassafras
and Harry M. Lockwood, of Warwick.

CURRENT PRICES.

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
COLLECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.
Wheat—No. 1, 1.75; Corn—No. 2, 1.25;
Timothy Seed \$2.50; " " cob 40
Clover Seed 1b 13c; Oats 30

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
COLLECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEY.
Eggs, per doz. 16c; Butter, per lb. 22c;
Creamery Butter, per lb. 28
Lard, per lb. 10c; " " 10c;
Live Chickens, per lb. 8c;
Ducks, Dressed, per lb. 10c;
Potatoes, per basket. 35c/40

DINNER SETS, \$8.96.

German Porcelain China, neat decorations, in blue
and green, 100 pieces.

DINNER SETS, \$10.00.

German Porcelain China, neat decorations, in blue
and pink, gold edge, 100 pieces, the regular
price, \$13.50.

DINNER SETS, \$12.50.

Fine Imported German China, 100 pieces, neat de-
corations, pure gold traced, regular price \$16.00.

DINNER SETS, \$13.50.

Fine Imported China, pure gold traced, 100 pieces,
regular price \$16.00.

DINNER SETS, \$16.00.

Fine Imported China, pure gold traced, in green,
blue and pink, 100 pieces

